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First Named Inventor	Youichirou SUGINO
Art Unit	1774
Examiner Name	DICUS, TAMRA
Attorney Docket Number	020581

**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.**  
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- b. ☒ Enclosed
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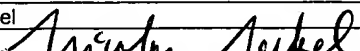
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For: POLARIZER, POLARIZING PLATE, AND LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY USING  
THE SAME

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.114

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Sir:

Further to the Amendment filed October 10, 2003 in response to the Office Action dated May 20, 2003, further to the Notice of Appeal filed on November 20, 2003, and further to the Advisory Action dated November 21, 2003, Applicants respectfully request that the application be amended as follows, and that the rejection of record be reconsidered in view of the following remarks.

Amendments to the Specification are set forth on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.

A Request for Continued Examination and a Petition for a one-month extension of time are submitted with this paper.